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Office Action Summary

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133).
- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 28 June 2000.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-24 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-24 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 9 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 22 June 2000 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application) since a specific reference was included in the first sentence of the specification or in an Application Data Sheet. 37 CFR 1.78.
a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121 since a specific reference was included in the first sentence of the specification or in an Application Data Sheet. 37 CFR 1.78.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). _____
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) _____ 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-24 have been examined and are pending.

Information Disclosure Statement

2. An initialed and dated copy of Applicant's IDS form 1449, Paper No. 2-3 is attached to the instant Office action.

Claim Objections

3. Claim 9 is objected to because of the following informalities: the “;” should be changed to a --:--. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC ' 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless --

the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

4. Claims 1-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Renaud (USP 6,021,491).

As per claims 1, 12, 16, and 19, Renaud teaches:

providing a key pair having a public key and a private key (column 3, line 40);

providing the assembly with a manifest that contains the public key (column 3, lines 25-30);

hashing the assembly (column 3, line 27);

encrypting the hash of the assembly with the private key (column 3, lines 35-40);

and

relating the encrypted hash to the assembly (column 3, lines 25-42).

As per claims 2, 13, and 20, Renaud teaches the step of providing a referencing assembly that references the assembly with a manifest that contains a token of the public key (column 3, lines 33-43).

As per claims 3, 14, 18, 21, and 22, Renaud teaches determining if the contents of the assembly has been modified by decoding the encrypted hash value with the public key, determining an actual hash of the contents of the assembly and comparing the decoded encrypted hash with the actual hash (column 4, lines 1-18).

As per claim 4, Renaud teaches the step of determining if the publisher of the assembly is the owner of the private key (column 4, lines 11-17).

As per claims 5, 15, and 23, Renaud teaches the step of determining if the publisher of the assembly is the original owner of the key pair comprising the step of comparing the token of the public key in the referencing assembly with the public key stored in the manifest of the assembly (column 3, lines 42-49 and column 4, lines 11-17 and column 7, lines 44-45).

As per claim 6, Renaud teaches determining if the contents of the assembly has been modified by decoding the encrypted hash value with the public key, determining an actual hash of the contents of the assembly and comparing the decoded encrypted hash with the actual hash (column 4, lines 1-18).

As per claim 7, Renaud teaches the step of determining if the publisher of the assembly is the original owner of the key pair (column 4, lines 11-17).

As per claim 8, Renaud teaches the step of determining if the publisher of the assembly is the original owner of the key pair comprising the step of storing the public key in a storage medium and comparing the public key in the storage medium with the public key in the manifest (column 3, lines 42-49 and column 4, lines 11-17 and column 7, lines 44-45).

As per claim 9, Renaud teaches an assembly including a manifest that contains a public key and a hash of the contents of the assembly encrypted by a private key, the private key and the public key forming a key pair, the encrypted hash being referenced to the assembly (column 3, lines 30-49).

As per claim 10, Renaud teaches a referencing assembly that references the assembly, the referencing assembly including a manifest that contains a token of the public key of the assembly (column 3, lines 33-43).

As per claims 11 and 24, Renaud teaches the assembly being a dynamically linked library (column 3, line 33).

As per claim 17, Renaud teaches a binding component adapted to provide binding policy information for determining a version of an assembly that an application program will run if another assembly having the same name resides on the system (column 3, line 42).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael R Vaughan whose telephone number is 703-305-0354. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7:30-4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ayaz Sheikh can be reached on 703-305-9648. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-305-3900.

MV
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